

**DENTAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA**

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**Minutes of the Meeting of the Full Board
August 19, 2005**

**Double Tree Hotel
835 Airport Blvd., Burlingame
650-344-5500**

Present

Newton Gordon, DDS
Lawrence Hundley, DDS
Alan Kaye, DDS
Patricia Osuna, RDH
Harriet Seldin, DMD
George SooHoo, DDS

Absent

David Baron, Public
Kevin Biggers, Public
Brandon Hernandez, Public
Kamran Sahabi, DDS
Lewis Turchi, DDS

Staff Present

Georgetta C.-Griffith, Interim Executive Officer
Richard DeCuir, Assistant Executive Officer
Alan Mangels, Attorney General Liaison
Greg Salute, Deputy Attorney General
LaVonne Powell, Legal Counsel
Anita Dowty, Board Staff

Dr. Gordon called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m. and took roll, establishing that those members present would be acting as a committee of the Board due to lack of a quorum.

Agenda Item 1 - Approval of Minutes: The following corrections need to be made to the minutes of the meeting held May 5, 2005:

Page 2, insert "not" into last line of first paragraph so it reads "...assure we are not putting incompetent dentists into the market place."

Page 2, third paragraph, correct the name of the organization to which Dr. Kaye has been appointed as a member of their Board of Directors. The organization is the American Dental Society of Anesthesiology.

After correcting, the minutes will be brought back to a future meeting for approval.

Agenda Item 2 - President's Report Dr. Gordon announced two new appointments to the Board, Dr. Harriet Seldin and Dr. Lewis Turchi. He said Dr. Chester Yokahama and LaDonna Drury-Klein are no longer on the Board and he expressed his appreciation for the contributions they had made.

Regarding the search for an Executive Officer, he said the process, which involved 30 applicants, resulted in two being interviewed earlier today. The Board expects a quorum at the meeting scheduled for August 31st, and the Board's selection will be forwarded to the Department for approval.

Dr. Gordon commended Dr. SooHoo for his concerns and efforts in the examinations, and said the exam must be very fair, based upon the few exam appeals that are received.

Agenda Item 3 - Interim Executive Officer Report Georgetta Coleman-Griffith reported on the Dental Loan Repayment Program. She said that although implementation had been delayed, applications are now being reviewed in anticipation of the first pay outs in October.

Agenda Item 4.1 - End-of-Year Fiscal Report Assistant Executive Officer Richard DeCuir reviewed the item in the packet. He said the Board ended with a reversion into our Special Fund of \$328,825.

Cathy Mudge, CDA commented on savings due to staff openings and asked about the status of vacant positions. Mr. DeCuir said we are aggressively trying to fill all of the positions and noted Donna Kantner has been hired for the legislative analyst position. He said two rounds of interviews for the executive secretary's position resulted in no suitable candidates. He said filling the supervising investigator position is a very long process and we currently have 3 candidates. Ms. Mudge expressed concern for the overall performance of the Board and offered CDA's assistance.

Agenda Item 4.2 - Current Year Budget Augmentations Mr. DeCuir reviewed the information in the packet. In response to Dr. SooHoo, he said changes to the exam as a result of the occupational analysis were built in. He said that by statute, the analysis must be completed by September 30, 2005.

Agenda Item 5 - Board Meeting Dates for 2006 No action taken. Dr. Gordon recommends keeping dates as close as possible to those held this year and reminded members of the importance of spacing the dates to avoid the situation where more than 100 days would elapse between meetings, which might cause problems in disciplinary matters.

Agenda Item 6.1 - COMDA Report Approval of RDA Educational Programs and Radiation Safety Courses It was pointed out by a representative of COMDA that the coronal polishing course of Lisa Klockenteger, Paso Robles should be pulled from the list. It was m/s (Osuna/Kaye) to accept the recommendation for approval by COMDA and take the item to the August 31st meeting for full board approval.

Ms. Rosalee Thompson, representing Senator Aanestad, presented for the record a letter from him to make clear his desire that educational requirements that are currently being considered will not result in negatively impacting local regional occupational programs, and similar avenues of education and training.

Agenda Item 7.1 - Reappointment of Diversion Evaluation Committee Members - Tabled to August 31st meeting.

Agenda Item 7.2 - Quarterly Statistics - Information only.

Agenda Item 8 - Possible Modification of Regulations Pending Final Review and Approval by DCA/OAL

8.1 - CCR 1043 et. Seq. - LaVonne Powell pointed out that no discussion or action on these regulations is required. They appear on the agenda as an update only.

8.2 - Ms. Osuna provided background information for the proposed changes to CCR 1016 & 1017 which will establish Category I and Category II for continuing education. The proposed regulations will be considered at the August 31st meeting.

8.3 - CCR 1044 et. Seq. - No discussion or action on these regulations is required. They appear on the agenda as an update only.

Agenda Item 9 - Approval to Notice WREB & Licensure Application Regulations Possibly as Emergency in All or Part - Item tabled to August 31st when it is expected a quorum will be present.

Agenda Items 10 thru 15 - Committee Reports - Tabled to August 31st.

Public Comment

Dr. Clelen C. Tanner addressed the Board with his concerns over the loss of one of the Board's laptop computers and the possibility that some sensitive information concerning him had been compromised. Dr. Gordon told Dr. Tanner he would look into the matter and try to address his concerns.

Dr. Alan Felsenfeld, Professor in oral and maxillofacial surgery at UCLA addressed the Board on recent information concerning bis-phosphonate osteonecrosis of bone which may be a side effect of certain drug therapies for the management of metastatic disease to the bone and in the treatment of osteoporosis.

Letters from Dr. Felsenfeld and Dr. Michael Cadra were provided to Board members and included a request to have this issue placed on a future agenda.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:20 pm.